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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

Write your **name** and **index number** in the spaces provided above.

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Answer **ANY FOUR** of the **six** questions in the answer booklet provided.

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Question	1	2	3	4	5	6
Marks						

TOTAL MARKS

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Turn over

1. (a) (i) Linnet a middle level manager would like to represent the trend of sales using a chart. Assuming a spreadsheet program, identify the most appropriate type of chart she could use justifying your answer. (2 marks)

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- (ii) Figure 1 show typical tools used in a spreadsheet program. Use it to answer the question that follows.

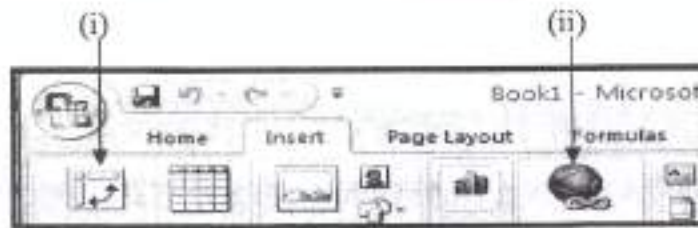


Figure 1

- State the function of the tools labeled (i) and (ii). (2 marks)

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- (b) State **four** examples of utility software as used in computers. (2 marks)

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- (c) (i) Explain **two** arguments that could be set in the *print out action* option when printing macros. (3 marks)

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(ii) Carol realized the following errors displayed in a worksheet she was working on.

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II #N/A

Identify the possible cause for each of the errors.

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(d) (i) Jane has a task of designing a database for her company. Explain **two** types of *controls* that she could use for the design. (3 marks)

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(ii) State two examples of word processors. (1 mark)

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2. (a) (i) Explain **one** function of the *paste link* feature as used in spreadsheets. (2 marks)

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(ii) Distinguish between a *function* and a *formula* as used in spreadsheet programs. (4 marks)

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- (b) (i) Keya wishes to procure an operating system. Explain to him **two** advantages of a window-based operating system over a command line operating system. (3 marks)
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- (ii) Figure 2 shows a database model. Use it to answer the questions that follow:

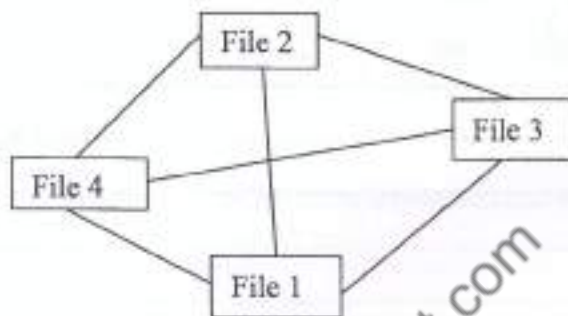


Figure 2

- II Identify the type of database model represented in figure 2 (1 mark)
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- II State **two** advantages of the database model identified in (I). (2 marks)
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- (c) Outline the keyboard key combinations that could be used to achieve each of the following in a window-based operating system.

- (i) Locking a computer. (1 mark)
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- (ii) Closing an active window. (1 mark)
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(iii) Copying an active window. (1 mark)

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3. (a) (i) State the importance of grouping as used in database reports. (1 mark)

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(ii) Outline the procedure that could be used to add borders on a worksheet. (2 marks)

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(b) (i) With the aid of an example, explain absolute cell referencing as used in worksheets. (4 marks)

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(ii) Lucy, a design expert with Limbo Company Ltd intends to design the company newsletter. Outline to her **two** advantages of using DTP software to accomplish the task. (3 marks)

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(c) Define the following terms as used in *artificial intelligence*.

(i) Knowledge base. (1½ marks)

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(ii) Intelligent systems. (1½ marks)

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(d) With the aid of an example. Explain the term input mask as used in databases. (2 marks)

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4 (a) (i) Outline **four** types of tracks that can be used in a publication. (2 marks)

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(ii) Explain term *design checker* as used in DTP. (2 marks)

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(b) (i) Outline **two** types of queries that can be used in databases. (2 marks)

- (ii) Ken would like to procure a DTP program for her computer. Outline to him **two** factors other than cost that he should consider. (4 marks)

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- (c) (i) Distinguish between *master page* and *work area* as used in DTP. (4 marks)

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- (ii) Grace intends to print two copies of a 5-paged document in the order of 1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4,5,5 and not 1,2,3,4,5,1,2,3,4,5. Identify the print feature she could use to achieve the objective. (1 mark)

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- 5 (a) (i) Maria would like to create a presentation document for a business forum. Explain **two** ways she could use to achieve the objective. (4 marks)

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- (ii) Solomon would like to use the mail merge feature to create customized letters to his friends. Outline **three** files that would be created. (3 marks)

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(b) (i) Define *referential integrity* as used in databases. (2 marks)

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(ii) Outline **two** typical features of frames as used in DTP programs. (2 marks)

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(c) Distinguish between *validation rule* and *validation text* as used in databases. (4 marks)

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6 (a) Describe the *many-to-many relationship* as used in databases. (2 marks)

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(b) (i) Kayo is developing a research project. Outline **two** reasons for the inclusion of *the table of contents* in the report. (2 marks)

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- (ii) Joseph included a number of animations in his project presentation document. Outline **three** benefits he would derive from this approach. (3 marks)

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